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2002 Ford Super Duty F-Series Owner's Manual

Models: F-250, F-350, F-450, F-550

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and care of your 2002 Ford Super Duty F-Series truck. Please read it thoroughly to familiarize yourself with the vehicle's features and systems. Keep this manual in your vehicle for quick reference.

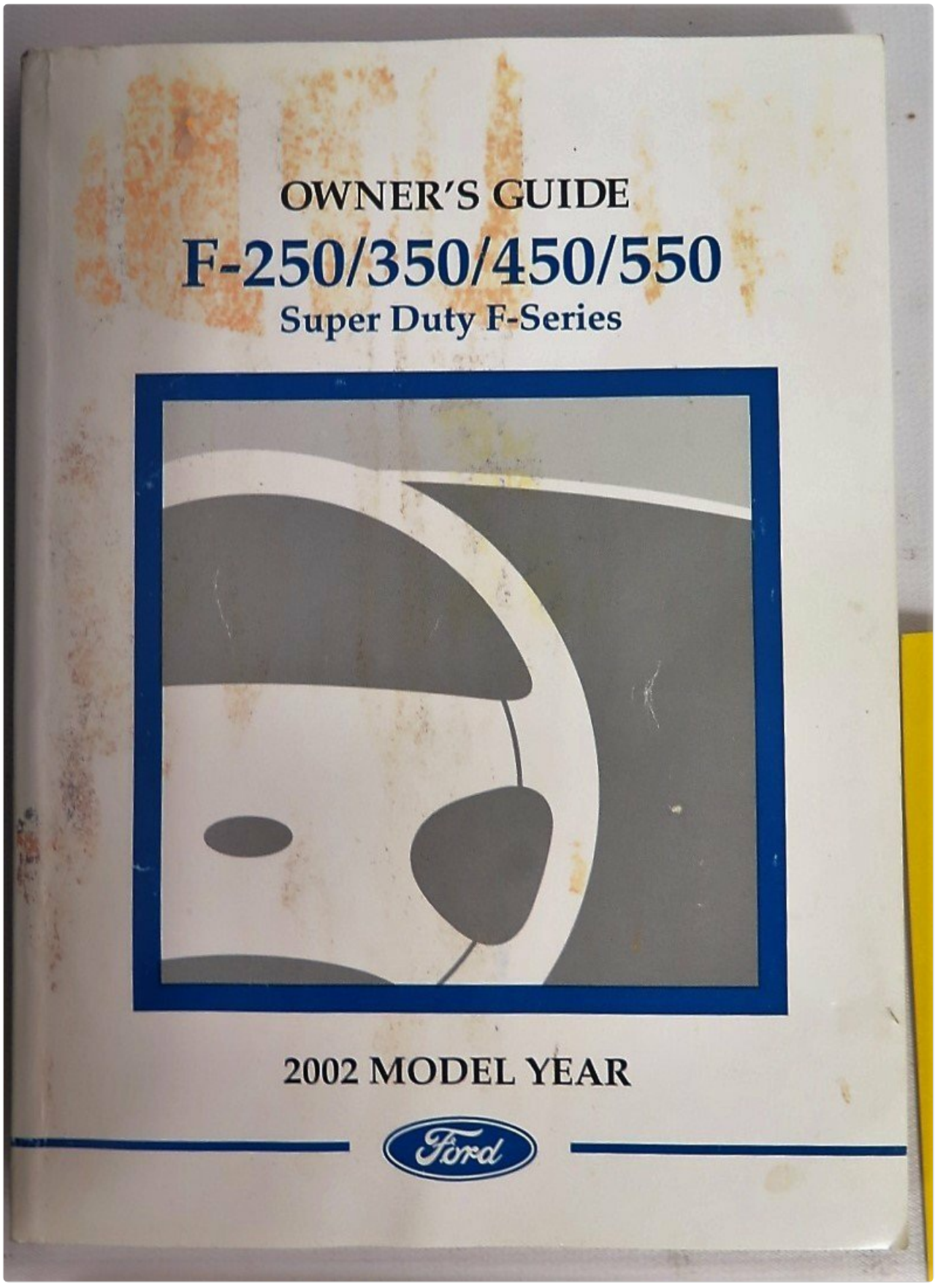


Image: Front cover of the 2002 Ford Super Duty F-Series Owner's Guide, indicating models F-250, F-350, F-450, F-550.



Image: A black folder with the Ford logo, typically used to hold the vehicle's owner's manual and related documents.

Setup and Initial Familiarization

Before operating your vehicle, it is important to understand its basic controls and features.

Vehicle Entry and Security

- **Keys and Remote Entry:** Familiarize yourself with the vehicle keys and the remote entry system for locking/unlocking doors and the tailgate.
- **Ignition System:** Understand the ignition switch positions (OFF, ACC, ON, START).

Seating and Restraints

- **Seat Adjustment:** Adjust the driver's seat for optimal comfort and control. Ensure proper distance from pedals and steering wheel.
- **Seat Belts:** Always wear your seat belt and ensure all passengers are properly restrained. Refer to the manual for proper usage and adjustment.
- **Airbag System:** Understand the location and function of the airbag system.

Dashboard and Controls

- **Instrument Cluster:** Identify the speedometer, tachometer, fuel gauge, temperature gauge, and various warning lights.
- **Steering Wheel Controls:** Locate controls for horn, cruise control, and audio system (if equipped).
- **Lighting Controls:** Understand how to operate headlights, high beams, fog lights, and interior lights.
- **Wiper/Washer Controls:** Familiarize yourself with the windshield wiper and washer functions.

Operating Your Vehicle

This section covers the procedures for driving your Ford Super Duty truck and using its various features.

Starting and Driving

1. **Pre-Driving Checks:** Ensure all doors are closed, seat belts are fastened, and mirrors are adjusted.
2. **Starting the Engine:** Insert the key, ensure the transmission is in Park (P) or Neutral (N), and turn the key to START.
3. **Automatic Transmission:** Understand the gear selector positions (P, R, N, D, 2, 1) and their appropriate use.
4. **Braking System:** Familiarize yourself with the foot brake and parking brake operation.
5. **Four-Wheel Drive (4WD) Operation:** If equipped, refer to the specific instructions for engaging and disengaging 4WD modes.

Climate Control System

Operate the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system for interior comfort. Controls typically include temperature, fan speed, and air distribution settings.

Audio System

Instructions for operating the factory-installed radio, CD player, and any other audio features.

Towing and Hauling

Important guidelines and safety precautions for towing trailers and hauling heavy loads, including weight limits, hitching procedures, and trailer brake controller operation.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and performance of your Ford Super Duty. Adhere to the recommended service schedule.

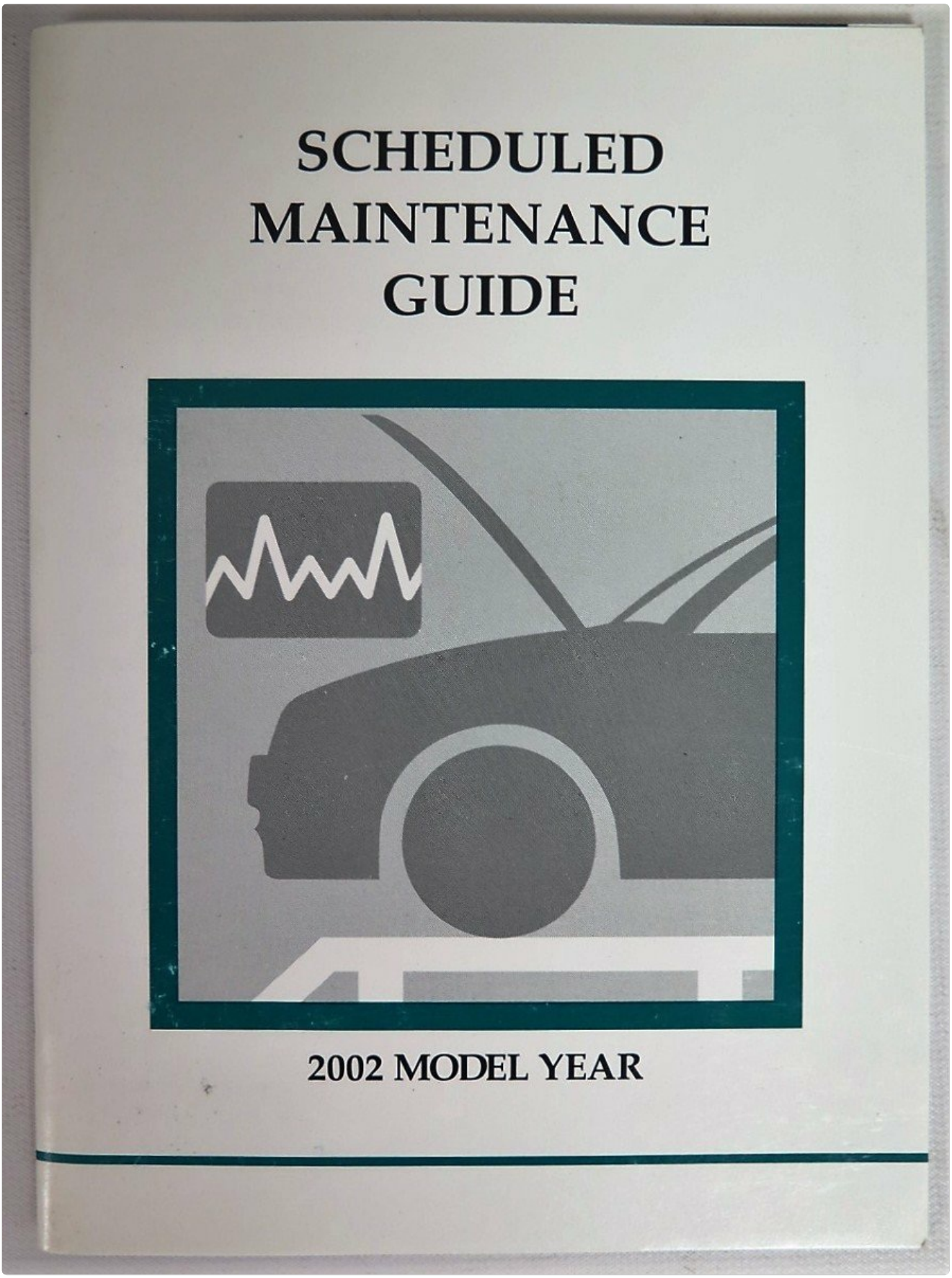


Image: Front cover of the 2002 Ford Scheduled Maintenance Guide, detailing recommended service intervals.

Scheduled Maintenance

Refer to the Scheduled Maintenance Guide for detailed service intervals based on mileage and time. Key items include:

- **Oil and Filter Changes:** Recommended intervals for engine oil and filter replacement.

- **Tire Rotation and Inspection:** Guidelines for tire maintenance to ensure even wear and safety.
- **Fluid Checks:** Regular inspection of engine coolant, brake fluid, power steering fluid, and transmission fluid levels.
- **Brake System Inspection:** Checking brake pads, rotors, and fluid.
- **Air Filter Replacement:** Engine and cabin air filter service.

Owner Maintenance

- **Washing and Cleaning:** Tips for exterior and interior cleaning to protect your vehicle's finish and upholstery.
- **Bulb Replacement:** Instructions for replacing exterior and interior light bulbs.
- **Battery Care:** Inspection and maintenance of the vehicle battery.

Troubleshooting

This section provides solutions to common issues you might encounter with your vehicle.

Engine Related Issues

- **Engine Will Not Start:** Check battery connections, fuel level, and ensure the transmission is in Park or Neutral.
- **Warning Lights:** Understand the meaning of various dashboard warning lights (e.g., Check Engine, Oil Pressure, Battery, Brake) and appropriate actions.
- **Overheating:** If the engine temperature gauge indicates overheating, safely pull over, turn off the engine, and allow it to cool before inspecting coolant levels.

Tire Related Issues

- **Flat Tire:** Instructions for safely changing a flat tire using the spare tire and jack provided with the vehicle.
- **Low Tire Pressure:** Check and adjust tire pressure to the recommended specifications found on the tire placard.

Electrical Issues

- **Blown Fuses:** Locate the fuse box and identify how to check and replace blown fuses for various electrical components.
- **Headlights/Taillights Not Working:** Check bulbs and fuses.

Specifications

Key technical specifications for the 2002 Ford Super Duty F-Series trucks.

Category	Specification
Engine Options	V8 Gasoline (e.g., 5.4L Triton, 6.8L Triton), V8 Diesel (e.g., 7.3L Power Stroke)

Category	Specification
Transmission	Automatic or Manual
Fuel Tank Capacity	Varies by model and configuration (e.g., 29-38 gallons)
Tire Pressure	Refer to vehicle's tire placard (typically on driver's door jamb)
Towing Capacity	Varies significantly by model, engine, and configuration. Consult specific vehicle documentation.
Payload Capacity	Varies significantly by model, engine, and configuration. Consult specific vehicle documentation.

Note: *Specific capacities and specifications can vary based on your vehicle's exact configuration, engine, and options. Always refer to the specific data for your vehicle.*

Warranty Information

Your 2002 Ford Super Duty truck is covered by a limited warranty. Details regarding coverage, duration, and exclusions are provided in the separate Warranty Guide.

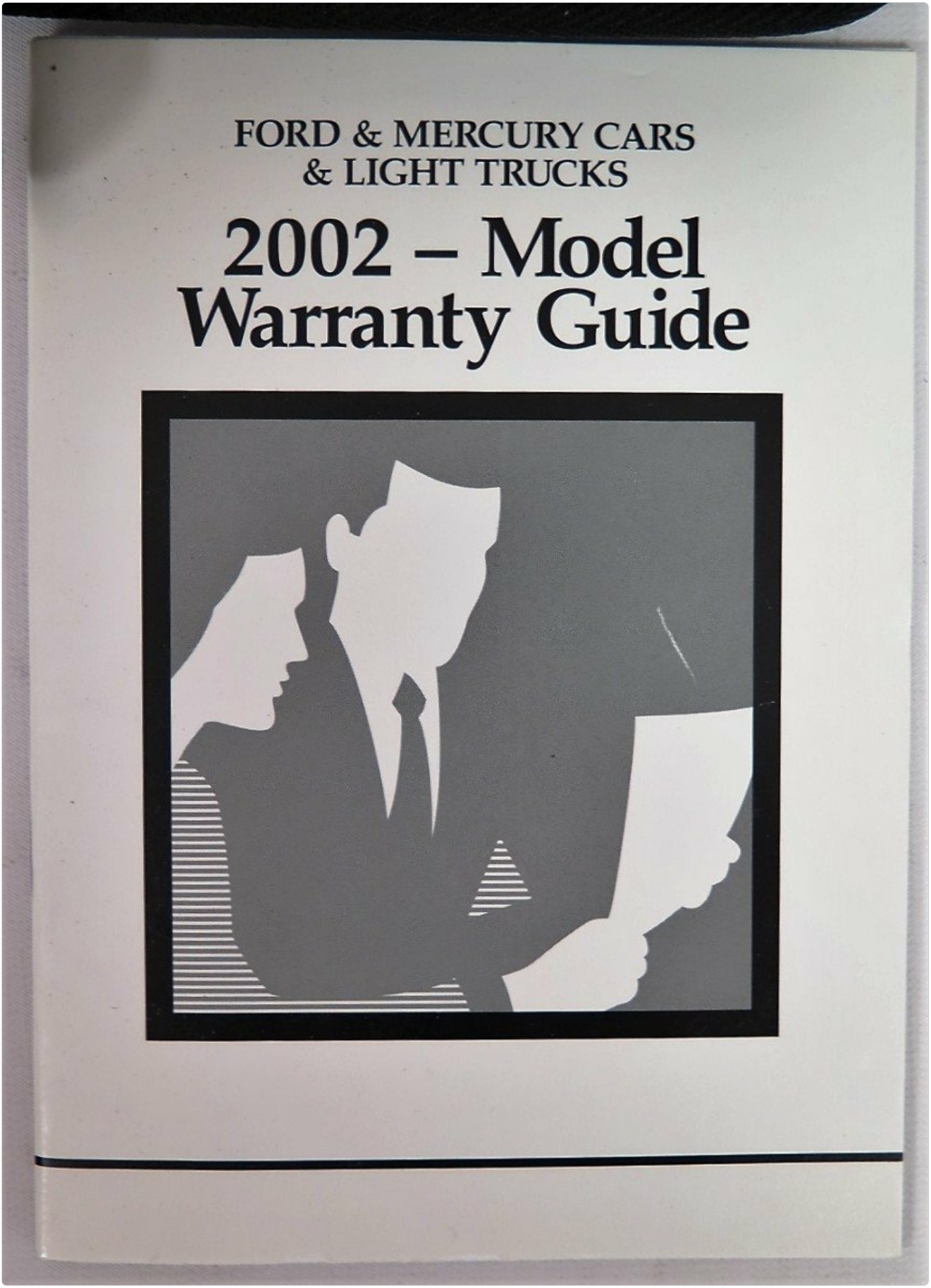


Image: Front cover of the 2002 Ford & Mercury Cars & Light Trucks Model Warranty Guide.

Key Warranty Aspects

- **New Vehicle Limited Warranty:** Covers defects in material or workmanship.
- **Powertrain Warranty:** Specific coverage for engine, transmission, and drivetrain components.

- **Corrosion Warranty:** Coverage against rust-through.
- **Emissions Warranty:** Coverage for emissions-related components.

It is important to review your Warranty Guide for complete terms, conditions, and any limitations. Maintaining your vehicle according to the scheduled maintenance guidelines is often a requirement to keep your warranty valid.

Support and Roadside Assistance

For additional assistance or in case of an emergency, Ford offers various support services.



Image: A card detailing Ford's Complimentary Roadside Assistance program, including services like towing, jump-starts, and fuel delivery.

Ford Roadside Assistance

Ford provides complimentary roadside assistance for eligible vehicles. Services typically include:

- **Towing:** To the nearest Ford dealership or authorized service facility.
- **Battery Jump-Start:** Assistance for a dead battery.
- **Fuel Delivery:** Emergency fuel if you run out.
- **Lock-Out Assistance:** Help if you are locked out of your vehicle.
- **Flat Tire Change:** Assistance with changing a flat tire.

Refer to your Roadside Assistance card or the Warranty Guide for the specific contact number and full details of the program.

Customer Service

For general inquiries, concerns, or to locate a Ford dealership, please refer to the contact information provided in your owner's manual or visit the official Ford website.

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